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Annual Reports

of the Town Officers



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*For the year ending
January 31*

1929



ANNUAL REPORT
of the
Selectmen and Treasurer
of the
Town of Mason

together with the reports of
Road Agents, School Board and Other
Officers of the Town and
School District
for the
Financial Year Ending January 31, 1929

Also
VITAL STATISTICS
For the Year Ending
December 31
1928

Town Officers

Moderator

JOHN T. SMITH

Clerk and Treasurer

FRANK B. FARWELL

Selectmen

EDGAR S. KENNEDY, 1 year

STANLEY A. FLAGG, term expires

ELLERY F. REED, 2 years

Tax Collector

ALBERT B. EATON

Auditor

JOHN T. SMITH

Highway Agents

CHARLES L. BARNES

FRED L. BROWN

Supervisors

SAMUEL H. DAVIS

CHARLES L. BARNES

Health Officer

EDGAR S. KENNEDY

Library Trustees

MYRTIE B. ADAMS

HARRIET E. WHITAKER

ALICE E. BERRY

Trustees of Boynton School Fund

EVERETT H. WHITAKER

MYRTIE B. ADAMS

ALEXANDER McLEAN

GEORGE E. GERMER

Trustees of the Stearns Common School Bequest

ALBERT B. EATON

JOHN T. SMITH

Trustees of Cemeteries

FRANK B. FARWELL

ALBERT B. EATON

STANLEY A. FLAGG

School District Treasurer

ROSE S. EATON

School District Clerk

JOHN T. SMITH

Ballot Clerks

ERNEST E. BARNES

GUY F. WASHBURN

HAROLD MILLER

B. F. SMITH

Constable

STANLEY A. FLAGG

Librarian

DORIS M. FLAGG

Fire Wardens

EDGAR S. KENNEDY

STANLEY A. FLAGG

JOHN T. SMITH

FRED L. BROWN

JAMES BELL

Surveyor of Wood and Lumber

FRANK B. FARWELL

TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*To the Inhabitants of the Town of Mason, in the County of
Hillsborough, in said State, qualified to vote in
Town Affairs:*

You are hereby notified to meet at Town House in said Mason on Tuesday, the twelfth day of March next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation for the same. *11 1,500*

3. To choose one Trustee of the Boynton Common School Fund. *O. G. Wharff*

4. To choose one Trustee of the Stearns Common School Bequest. *J. T. Smith*

5. To choose one Trustee of cemeteries for three years. *a B Eaton*

6. To choose one Trustee for Mason Free Library.

H E Whitaker Table

7. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for repairs of highways and bridges.

\$ 2,000

8. To see what sum the town will raise and appropriate for Library purposes.

\$ 100.00

9. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for care of Cemeteries.

\$ 100.00

10. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of the State Law necessary to receive the benefit of the State Aid for permanent improvements of highways.

yes

11. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for Memorial purposes.

\$ 50.00

12. To see if the town will vote to put up gates or bars at the following roads: Old Mill road, Gasset Brook road, and Hurricane Hill road.

Voted to close

13. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to pay the Trustees of Cemeteries the sum of one hundred dollars in payment of wood lot given under the will of the late Lucy Jane Lawrence, the sum to be deposited, and the income to be used for perpetual care of the Daniel A. Lawrence lot in Fairview Cemetery.

Voted yes

14. To see if the town will vote to have the Boynton Common School Fund interest and the Stearns Bequest

interest turned in to the District School Treasurer, and instruct the Trustees to pay the same in to the District Treasury. *Voted yes*

15. To see if the town will vote to raise the pay of the Town Treasurer and Town Clerk to one hundred dollars each. *Voted No*

16 To see if the Town Will approve a portion of the machine & appropriation to fix *Voted* 200.00 to be Expended

17 to see if the Town Vote to Buy new 5 seats for Town Hall
Voted to raise 350.00

to see if the Town Vote to make any Discount on Taxes if paid before June 1 1929
Voted to pay 3% Discount

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF
ESTIMATES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE ENSUING YEAR
AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE PREVIOUS YEAR

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Actual revenue previous year 1928	Estimated revenue ensuing year 1929	In- crease	De- crease
FROM STATE:				
Railroad Tax.....	\$284.38			
Savings Bank Tax.....	139.92			
For Fighting Forest Fires.....	104.43	\$100.00		\$4.43
For Highways:				
(a) For State Aid Maintenance.	931.12	1,000.00	\$68.88	
Interest and Dividend Tax.....	115.27	100.00		15.27
Bounties.....	6.40	5.80		.60
FROM LOCAL SOURCES EXCEPT TAXES:				
All Licenses and Permits except dog Licenses.....	2.00			2.00
Rent of Town Hall and other Build- ings.....	72.00	70.00		2.00
Auto permits.....	264.67	260.00		4.67
From National Bank.....	63.89			63.89
FROM POLL TAXES.....	198.00	200.00	2.00	
REVENUE APPLICABLE ONLY TO CONSTRUCTION AND IM- PROVEMENTS:				
FROM STATE:				
(a) For State Aid Highway Con- struction.....	401.83	450.00	38.17	
For Class 5 Roads.....	1,794.92	1,700.00		94.92
AMOUNT RAISED BY ISSUE OF BONDS OR NOTES:				
Note at National Bank.....	3,000.00			3,000.00
REVENUE WHICH MUST BE PAID TO OTHER GOVERNMENT- AL DIVISIONS:				
Boynton Fund.....	588.04	588.00		.04
Stearns Bequest.....	429.87	500.00	72.13	
Dog Tax.....	119.40	115.00		4.40
 TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES:....	 \$8,091.84	 \$5,088.80		
Balance on hand.....	132.11	408.00		
Amount raised by Property Taxes.....	\$10,360.82	\$9,058.70		
TOTAL REVENUES	\$19,584.77	\$14,555.50	\$181.18	\$3,192.22

MASON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

JANUARY 31, 1929 TO JANUARY 31, 1930, COMPARED WITH ACTUAL REVENUE
JANUARY 31, 1928 TO JANUARY 31, 1929

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Actual expenditures previous year 1928	Estimated expenditures ensuing year 1929	In- crease	De- crease
CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES:				
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:				
Town Officers' Salaries.....	\$668.80	\$600.00		\$68.80
Town Officers' Expenses.....	256.81	250.00		6.81
Election and Registration Expenses.....	159.20	15.00		144.20
Expenses of Department.....	592.73	250.00		342.73
Care and Supplies for Town Hall	487.88	130.00		357.88
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:				
Police Department.....	10.00	10.00		
Fire Department.....	288.95	200.00		88.95
Bounties.....	5.80	5.80		
HEALTH:				
Health Department.....	12.00	10.00		2.00
Vital Statistics.....	4.05	5.00	.85	
HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES:				
State Aid Maintenance:				
State's Contribution.....	1,036.18	1,000.00		36.18
Town's Contribution.....	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Town Maintenance.....	3,685.62	3,700.00	14.38	
Street Lighting.....	125.40	125.40		
Winter Roads.....	23.14			23.14
EDUCATION:				
Libraries.....	105.00	100.00		5.00
CHARITIES:				
Town Poor.....	7.75	30.00	22.25	
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES:				
Memorial Day and other Celebrations	50.00	50.00		
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES:				
Cemeteries.....	100.00	100.00		
INTEREST:				
On Temporary Loans.....	177.66			177.66
OUTLAY FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION AND PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS:				
HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES:				
State Aid Construction:				
State's Contribution.....	454.25	500.00	45.75	
Town's Contribution.....	454.25	500.00	45.75	
INDEBTEDNESS:				
PAYMENT ON PRINCIPAL OF DEBT:				
(b) Long Term Notes.....	4,000.00	900.00		3,100.00
PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS:				
STATE TAXES.....	304.80	304.80		
COUNTY TAXES.....	566.50	566.50		
PAYMENTS TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS.....	3,600.00	4,203.00	603.00	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES.....	\$18,176.77	\$14,555.50	\$732.08	\$4,352.69

VALUATION OF THE TOWN APRIL 1, 1928

Land and buildings.....	\$307,086 00
47 horses.....	4,650 00
1 mule.....	50 00
57 cows.....	4,170 00
11 neat stock.....	555 00
6 hogs.....	165 00
775 fowls.....	775 00
7 fur-bearing animals.....	700 00
Wood and lumber.....	17,865 00
Stock in trade.....	500 00
Mills and machinery.....	300 00
	\$336,816 00
Soldiers' exemption.....	6,655 00
	\$330,161 00

Polls, 121 at \$2. Total poll taxes, \$242.00
 Interest and dividends, \$140.00
 Railroad tax, \$320.00
 Savings Bank, \$162.00
 Tax committed to collector, \$10,815.76

APPROPRIATIONS

State tax.....	\$729 10
County tax.....	566 50
State Aid construction.....	499 50
State Aid maintenance.....	1,000 00
School appropriation.....	3,125 00
Highways.....	2,000 00
Town charges.....	3,000 00
Construction tool house.....	200 00
Library appropriation.....	100 00

Cemeteries.....	100 00
Memorial.....	50 00
Doors in hall.....	25 00
Overlay.....	43 10
	\$11,438 20

LIABILITIES

Soldiers' Monument	\$100 00
Hearse appropriation.....	30 00
Due School District.....	1,934 36
In State Treasury, joint highway fund.....	42 88
White Pine Blister	100 00
Dog licenses.....	119 40
	\$2,326 64

ASSETS

Cash on hand, Jan. 31, 1929.....	\$408 00
In State Treasury, joint highway fund.....	42 88
Due from Collector 1928.....	935 00
Due from Farwell Estate.....	85 55
	\$1,471 43
Excess of liabilities over assets.....	\$855 21

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue

From local taxes:

Property and poll taxes, current year.....	\$9,874 36
Property and poll taxes, 1927.....	684 46

From State:

Railroad tax.....Credit	\$284 38
Savings Bank tax.....Credit	139 92
State Treasurer, interest and dividend.....	115 27
Special State Aid, Class 5 Roads.....	1,794 92
State Aid construction.....	401 83
State Aid maintenance.....	931 12

From local sources except taxes:

Boynton Common School Fund.....	588 04
Stearns Common School Bequest.....	429 87
• Auto permits.....	264 67
Rent of hall.....	72 00
Dog licenses.....	119 40
Notes, Townsend National Bank.....	3,000 00
Fire bills.....	104 43
Balance on hand at beginning of year.....	132 11
Error on interest.....	63 89
Nomination papers.....	2 00
Bounties.....	6 40

\$18,584 77

EXPENDITURES

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

After Settlement 1927

Edgar S. Kennedy.....	\$30 00
Stanley A. Flagg.....	27 00
Ellery F. Reed.....	27 00

1928 Town Officers' Salaries

Edgar S. Kennedy.....	126 50
Stanley A. Flagg.....	104 10
Ellery F. Reed.....	106 20
Frank B. Farwell, Treasurer.....	50 00
Frank B. Farwell, Clerk.....	50 00
John T. Smith, Moderator.....	11 50
John T. Smith, Auditor.....	3 50
Albert B. Eaton, tax collector 1927.....	100 00
Frank B. Farwell, auto permits.....	25 50
John T. Smith, budget committee.....	3 50
Alexander McLean.....	4 00

\$668 80

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

E. S. Kennedy, telephone and postage.....	\$9 87
E. S. Kennedy, stationery.....	3 50
E. S. Kennedy, posting placards.....	2 50
E. S. Kennedy, team service.....	4 50
E. S. Kennedy, time & expense to Manchester..	4 50
S. A. Flagg, time & expense to Manchester....	4 10
E. F. Reed, time & expense to Manchester ...	4 10

S. A. Flagg, team service.....	4 50
Transcript Printing Co., town reports.....	150 50
James Bell, transportation to Manchester.....	11 00
E. F. Reed, transportation.....	2 00
J. T. Smith, transportation.....	6 00
Automotive Bureau Reference Book.....	4 17
Fred A. Cournoyer, insurance.....	17 00
Edson C. Eastman Co., stationery.....	12 87
A. B. Eaton, stationery.....	8 30
Register of Deeds.....	2 00
F. B. Farwell, registration and postage.....	5 40

\$256 81

GENERAL EXPENSES OF DEPARTMENT

Mason Village Savings Bank, box rent.....	\$5 00
Joseph Beck, care of lights.....	2 00
Guy Washburn, machine to Greenville and Mason.....	7 00
Berger Mfg. Co., culverts.....	57 00
Thompson & Hoague, blade for machine.....	11 90
C. A. Cloutier, repairs on machine.....	19 10
E. S. Kennedy, express on blade.....	1 59
E. S. Kennedy, work on machine.....	4 00
S. A. Flagg.....	4 00
Alexander McLean, labor on tool house.....	110 25
Damon & Richardson, lumber for tool house....	106 08
C. A. Bourgeois, supplies for Highway Dept.....	33 56
F. B. Farwell, repairs on hearse house.....	1 00
F. B. Farwell, cleaning vault.....	2 00
G. F. Washburn, repairing machine.....	2 50
William Graham, insurance.....	37 50
Bertha Newell, storing machine.....	10 00
Berger Mfg. Co., culverts.....	49 36
E. S. Kennedy, supplies for highway, 2 shovels..	2 90
E. S. Kennedy, bolts for machine.....	1 00

C. E. Emerson, repairs on hall.....	1 98
F. B. Farwell, cleaning common.....	50
Guy Washburn, gravelling tool house.....	5 00
S. A. Flagg, supplies for highways, plank.....	1 65
B. & A. D. Fessenden Co., Inc., plank.....	10 75
Berger Mfg. Co., culverts.....	49 36
F. B. Farwell, labor on wood.....	1 00
Alexander McLean, 3 cords wood.....	28 50
Jennie Chesborough, cleaning hall.....	4 90
J. W. Wharff, care of common.....	5 00
E. S. Kennedy, repairs on hall.....	3 75
S. A. Flagg, repairs on hall	2 00
B. D. Pease, returning Births and Deaths.....	1 00
John T. Smith, signs for town lines.....	9 60
	\$592 73

CARE OF TOWN HALL AND SUPPLIES

J. W. Wharff, care of hall.....	\$50 04
Lights for hall.....	38 11
J. C. Taft, insurance on town house.....	112 50
A. D. Flitner, wood for hall.....	29 00
S. A. Flagg, hauling wood.....	3 00
H. C. Creighton, 1 cord wood.....	7 00
G. F. Washburn, 1 cord wood.....	10 00
Porter Washburn, putting wood in shed.....	1 60
C. E. Emerson, labor on town hall.....	60 60
E. S. Kennedy, nails for hall.....	40
F. P. Lyons, fire escape.....	173 13
C. E. Emerson, repairs on hall.....	2 50
	\$487 88

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

F. B. Farwell, clerk.....	\$10 70
E. S. Kennedy.....	10 70
S. A. Flagg.....	10 70
E. F. Reed.....	10 70
S. H. Davis.....	24 60
C. L. Barnes.....	24 60
J. E. Wilson.....	9 50
Paul Berry.....	3 50
Harold Miller.....	10 70
Ernest Barnes.....	7 20
Guy Washburn.....	7 20
John T. Smith.....	4 00
R. S. Gailey.....	7 20
A. B. Eaton.....	7 20

 \$159 20

BOUNTIES

F. B. Farwell.....	\$5 80
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HEALTH DEPARTMENT

E. S. Kennedy.....	\$12 00
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STREET LIGHTS

.....	\$125 40
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POLICE DEPARTMENT

S. A. Flagg, constable.....	\$10 00
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FIRE DEPARTMENT

.....	\$288 95
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LIBRARY APPROPRIATION

Harriet E. Whitaker, Trustee.....	\$100 00
J. W. Wharff, janitor 1927.....	5 00

MEMORIAL APPROPRIATION

Ellery F. Reed.....	\$50 00
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CEMETERIES

A. B. Eaton, Trustee.....	\$100 00
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COUNTY POOR

.....	\$7 75
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EDUCATION

Rose S. Eaton, District Treasurer.....	\$3,600 00
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TEMPORARY NOTES AND INTEREST

Townsend National Bank.....	\$4,177 66
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STATE AND COUNTY TAX

Henry E. Chamberlin, State tax.....	\$304 80
James H. Shenton, County tax.....	566 50

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Winter Roads

Fred Brown.....	\$15 54
Roy Whittier.....	3 70
John Wiik.....	3 90

\$23 14

Repairing Highways

Charles L. Barnes.....	\$1,250 57
Fred L. Brown.....	1,247 16
Harold C. Miller.....	1,129 32
Selectmen, Brookline road.....	58 57
	\$3,685 62

STATE AID MAINTENANCE

Item	State	Town	Total
Balance, 1927.....	\$252 96	\$126 48	\$379 44
Appropriation, 1928	2,000 00	1,000 00	3,000 00
Total			\$3,379 44

	Town	State
Ratio 2:1		
Expended.....	\$2,036 17	\$1,278 96
Share of expenditures	1,105 05	2,211 08
Balances.....	21 43	42 88
American Tar Co., Retar.....		\$1,064 80
Waldo Bros. & Bond Co., mixer		22 00
Highway Garage, fence fittings		60 84
Engineering and Inspection..		131 32
Total.....		\$1,278 96

STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

	State	Town	Total
Balance, 1927.....	\$4 38	\$4 37	\$8 75
Appropriation, 1928..	499 00	499 00	998 00
Total.....			\$1,006 75

Item	Town	State
Ratio 1:1		
Expended.....	\$908 82	\$101 55
Share of expenditures	506 99	503 38
Survey.....		22 65
N. E. Metal Culvert		
Co.....		73 90
Engineering and in-		
spection.....		5 00
Total		101 55

ROAD ACCOUNT

March

R. S. Gailey, team $\frac{1}{2}$ day, at \$7.00.....	\$3.50
C. L. Barnes, labor, 2 hours at \$.40.....	.80
	\$4.30

April

C. L. Barnes, labor, $8\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$3.60.....	\$30.60
E. Barnes, labor, $8\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$3.60.....	30.60
H. Miller, team, 1 day, at \$7.00.....	7.00
J. Beck, team, $8\frac{1}{2}$ days, at \$7.00.....	59.50
F. Reynolds, team, 4 days, at \$7.00.....	28.00
J. T. Smith, labor, 5 days, at \$3.60.....	18.00
R. S. Gailey, labor, 2 days, at \$3.60.....	7.20
H. Foster, labor, 3 days, at \$3.60.....	10.80
A. Elliott, labor, 10 hours, at \$.40.....	4.00
A. Elliott, horse and self, 15 hours.....	7.50
	\$203.20

May

C. L. Barnes, labor, 11 days, 7 hours	\$42.40
E. E. Barnes, labor, 12 days, 1½ hours	43.80
Harry Foster, labor, 10 days, 3 hours	37.20
John T. Smith, labor 8 days, 8 hours	32.00
R. S. Gailey, labor, 3 days, 6 hours	13.20
Frank Reynolds, horses, 2 days, at \$3.40	6.80
John Beck, team, 10 days, 3 hours	72.33
Frank Reynolds, team, 1 day	7.00
Chester Elliott, truck, 1 day	10.00
	\$264.73

William Mason, blasting	
Check paid by town	\$108.94

June

C. L. Barnes, labor, 5 days, 4½ hours	\$19.80
E. E. Barnes, labor, 3 days, 4½ hours	12.60
H. Foster, labor, 2 days	7.20
John Beck, team, 2 days	14.00
Robert Gailey, team, 4 days	28.00
Charles Emerson, labor, 1 day, 8 hours	6.80
John Smith, labor, 3 days, 4½ hours	12.60
Repairs on scraper	1.25
Oil	.20
	\$102.45

July

C. L. Barnes, labor, 5 days, 4½ hours	\$19.80
John T. Smith, labor, 4 days	14.40

Walter Barnes, labor, 3 days.....	10.80
Robert Gailey, team, 4 days.....	28.00
	\$73.00

August

C. L. Barnes, labor, 2 days.....	\$7.20
John T. Smith, labor, 2 days.....	7.20
Fred Whitney, labor, 2 days.....	7.20
Robert S. Gailey, team, 2 days.....	14.00
	\$35.60

C. L. Barnes, labor, 12 days.....	\$43.20
E. E. Barnes, labor, 4 days.....	14.40
John T. Smith, labor, 3 days.....	10.80
Robert Gailey, team, 6 days.....	42.00
Fred Whitney, labor, 8 days, 4½ hours.....	30.60
John Beck, team, 5 days.....	35.00
John Beck, Jr., labor, 2 days.....	7.20
H. Miller, team, 1 day.....	7.00
16 posts.....	1.60
Culverts, 48 ft. 10 in.....	50.40
Plank.....	10.75
Stanley Flagg, plank.....	1.00
	\$253.95

November

C. L. Barnes, labor, 7 days, 7½ hours.....	\$28.20
Fred Whitney, labor, 5 days, 4½ hours.....	19.80
John T. Smith, labor, 6 days.....	21.60
John Beck, labor, 6 days.....	21.60
John Beck, team, 7 days.....	49.00

E. Flagg, labor, 1 day.....	3.60
Robert Gailey, team, 6 days.....	42.00
Carl Valyon, labor, 1 day.....	3.60
Spikes.....	.30
Plank.....	
	\$189.70

December

Fred Whitney, labor, 2 days.....	\$7.20
Carl Valyon, labor, 2 days.....	7.20
Spikes.....	.30
	\$14.70
Total.....	\$1,250.57

ROAD REPORT OF HAROLD C. MILLER

April

H. Miller, team, 4 days, at \$7.00.....	\$28.00
F. Whitney, 5 days, at \$3.60.....	18.00
P. Berry, 5 days, 7 hours, at \$3.60.....	20.80
G. Washburn, team, 2½ hours, at \$7.00.....	1.95
P. Washburn, 1½ hours at \$3.60.....	.60
H. Miller, 1½ days, at \$3.60.....	5.40
H. Whitaker, team, 2 days, 7 hours, at \$7.00.....	19.60
	\$94.35

May

H. Miller, team, 7 days, 13 hours, at \$7.00....	\$59.14
E. Whitaker, team, 7 days, 13 hours, at \$7.00.	59.14

F. Whitney, 7 days, 13 hours, at \$3.60	30.40
J. Beck, 9 days, 13 hours, at \$3.60	37.60
P. Berry, 8 days, 13 hours, at \$3.60	34.00
Illamaki, transportation to Greenville	2.00
H. Miller, 2 days, at \$3.60	7.20
W. O. Mason, blasting	50.95
	\$280.43

June

H. Miller, team, 2 days, at \$7.00	\$14.00
E. Whitaker, team, 2 days, at \$7.00	14.00
P. Berry, 2 days, at \$3.60	7.20
J. Berry, 2 days, at \$3.60	7.20
F. Whitney, 2 days, at \$3.60	7.20
H. Miller, 1½ day, at \$3.60	1.80
	\$51.40

July

H. Miller, team, 3 days, at \$7.00	\$21.00
P. Berry, 3 days, 5 hours, at \$3.60	12.80
E. Barnes, 4 days, at \$3.60	14.40
G. Washburn, 2 days, 7 hours, at \$3.60	10.00
H. Miller, 1 day, at \$3.60	3.60
	\$61.80

August

H. Miller, team, 6 days, at \$7.00	\$42.00
E. Barnes, 6 days, 7 hours, at \$3.60	24.40

P. Berry, 6 days, 7 hours, at \$3.60.....	24.40
C. Valyon, 6 days, at \$3.60.....	21.60
H. Miller, 7 hours, at \$3.60.....	2.80
	\$115.20

October

H. Miller, team, 9 days, 11 hours, at \$7.00....	\$71.58
G. Washburn, team, 7 days, 7 hours, at \$7.00.	54.46
E. Barnes, 9 days, 7 hours, at \$3.60.....	35.20
P. Berry, 9 days, 7 hours, at \$3.60.....	35.20
H. Erickson, 11 days, 7 hours, at \$3.60.....	42.40
C. Montague, 8 days, 7 hours, at \$3.60.....	31.60
C. Valyon, 11 days, 1½ hours, at \$3.60.....	40.20
W. Pelletier, 1 day.....	3.60
H. Miller, 3 days, ½ hours, at \$3.60.....	11.60
G. Washburn, 1 day, at \$3.60.....	3.60
Pissaman, team, 1½ hours, at \$7.00.....	1.20
J. Bell, 40 loads gravel, at \$.10.....	4.00
W. G. Whitlock, sharpening tools, bolts, and repairs.....	4.00
	\$338.04

November

H. Miller, team, 5 days, at \$7.00.....	\$35.00
G. Washburn, team, 2 days, 7 hours, at \$7.00.	19.60
E. Barnes, 6 days, at \$3.60.....	21.60
P. Berry, 5 days, at \$3.60.....	18.00
H. Erickson, 6 days, at \$3.60.....	21.60
C. Valyon, 6 days, at \$3.60.....	21.60
J. Beck, 4 days, at \$3.60.....	14.40
W. Pelletier, 2 days, at \$3.60.....	7.20

J. Bell, 19 loads of gravel at \$.10.....	1.90
C. Elliott, truck, 2 days, at \$10.00.....	20.00
H. Miller, 2 days, at \$3.60.....	7.20
	\$188.10
Total for year.....	\$1,129.32

FRED L. BROWN, ROAD ACCOUNT 1928

April Account

Fred L. Brown, team, 2 hours.....	\$1.56
Fred L. Brown, labor, 1 day, 1 hour.....	3.80
Fred L. Brown, team, 5 days, 5 hours.....	38.90
Fred L. Brown, labor, 3 days, 3 hours.....	12.00
K. Oikelmus, labor, 7 days.....	25.20
Sharpening 2 picks.....	.50
	\$81.96

May Account

Fred L. Brown, team, 12 days.....	\$84.00
K. Oikelmus, labor, 9 days.....	32.40
Fred L. Brown, labor, 6 hours.....	2.40
William Everett, labor, 2 days, 2 hours.....	8.00
	\$126.80

June Account

Fred L. Brown, team, 13 days, 3 hours.....	\$93.34
Fred L. Brown, labor, 1 day.....	3.60

K. Oikelmus, labor, 6 days, 8 hours.....	24.80
Leon Russell, labor, 1 day, 6½ hours.....	6.20
Hammond Creighton, 5 days, 2½ hours.....	19.00
1 spade.....	1.45
	\$148.39

July Account

Fred L. Brown, team, 6 days, 6 hours.....	\$46.68
Fred L. Brown, labor, 2 days.....	7.20
K. Oikelmus, labor, 5 days, 1 hour.....	18.40
Leon Russell, labor, 4 hours.....	1.60
1 spade.....	1.45
	\$75.33

August Account

Fred L. Brown, team, 12 days, 8 hours.....	\$90.24
Fred L. Brown, labor, 3 days, 5 hours.....	12.80
Carl Valyon, labor, 2 days.....	7.20
K. Oikelmus, labor, 14 days.....	50.40
A. McLean, labor, 2 hours.....	.80
	\$161.44

September Account

Fred L. Brown, team, 5 days, 8 hours.....	\$41.24
Fred L. Brown, labor, 9 days, 5 hours.....	34.40
K. Oikelmus, labor, 6 days, 6½ hours.....	24.20
2 spades.....	2.90
	\$102.74

October Account

Fred L. Brown, team, 11 days, 5 hours.....	\$80.90
Fred L. Brown, labor, 9 days, 5 hours.....	34.40
K. Oikelmus, labor, 14 days, 7 hours.....	53.20
H. Creighton, labor, 2 days.....	7.20
	\$175.70
William O. Mason, blasting.....	\$101.02

November Account

Fred L. Brown, team, 8 days.....	\$56.00
Fred L. Brown, labor, 9 days, 7½ hours.....	35.40
K. Oikelmus, labor, 4 days, 4 hours.....	17.60
Oscar Livingston, labor, 2 days.....	7.20
	\$116.20
William O. Mason, blasting.....	\$118.28

December Account

Fred L. Brown, team, 2 days, 4½ hours.....	\$17.50
Fred L. Brown, labor, 3 days, 5 hours.....	12.80
William Everett, labor, 2 days, 4½ hours.....	9.00
	\$39.30

RECAPITULATION

Town officers' salaries.....	\$668.80
Town officers' expenses.....	256.81
General expenses of department.....	592.73
Highway department.....	3,685.62
Winter roads.....	23.14
Fire department.....	288.95
Education.....	3,600.00
Library appropriation.....	100.00
Cemeteries appropriation.....	100.00
Notes and interest Townsend National Bank..	4,177.66
State and County taxes.....	871.30
Bounties.....	5.80
Health department.....	12.00
State Aid construction.....	908.50
State Aid maintenance.....	2,036.18
Police department.....	10.00
Memorial appropriation.....	50.00
Care of Town Hall and supplies.....	487.88
Street lights.....	125.40
Election and Registration.....	159.20
County poor.....	7.75
Janitor, library.....	5.00
Vital statistics.....	4.05
	\$18,176.77

Respectfully submitted,
 EDGAR S. KENNEDY
 STANLEY A. FLAGG
 ELLERY F. REED

Selectmen

Treasurer's Report

Balance on hand beginning of year.....	\$132.11
Received from:	
Albert B. Eaton	
1927 tax.....	684.46
1928 tax.....	9,874.36
State Tax Dividend.....	115.27
State Aid maintenance.....	931.12
State Aid construction.....	401.83
Special Class 5 from State.....	1,794.92
Local Sources except from Taxes:	
Boynton Common School Fund.....	588.04
Stearns Common School Fund.....	429.87
Auto permits.....	264.67
From Town Clerk, dog licenses.....	119.40
Notes on Townsend Bank.....	3,000.00
Selectmen, error on interest, Townsend Bank..	63.89
Selectmen, bounties.....	6.40
Selectmen, rent of hall.....	72.00
Selectmen, fire bill.....	104.43
Delmore P. Noble, nomination papers.....	2.00
	\$18,584.77
Selectmen's orders.....	\$18,176.77
Balance on hand.....	\$408.00

Respectfully submitted,
FRANK B. FARWELL,
Town Treasurer

Auditor's Report

This certifies that I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, and Tax Collector and find them correctly cast with proper vouchers.

JOHN T. SMITH, *Auditor*

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOYNTON COMMON SCHOOL FUND

Bonds sold and bought during the year:

Sold:

4 Narragansett bonds.....	\$4,000.00
1 United States bond.....	1,000.00
2 Municipal Service bonds.....	200.00
	\$5,200.00

Bought:

5 Republic Service bonds.....	\$4,500.00
2 Interstate Power bonds.....	1,500.00
	\$6,000.00

Drew from Mason Village Savings Bank.....	\$453.74
Increase for the fund.....	346.26
Received by interest from bonds.....	568.75
Received by interest from Mason Village Sav- ings Bank.....	19.29
	\$588.04

The Fund is invested as follows:

United States bond.....	\$1,000.00
Virginia Public Service bonds.....	4,000.00
Republic Service bonds.....	4,500.00
Interstate Power bonds.....	1,500.00
Iowa Public Service bond.....	500.00
Mason Village Savings Bank.....	150.91
	\$11,650.91

ALEXANDER McLEAN, *Treasurer*

JAMES E. WILSON

EVERETT H. WHITAKER

MYRTIE B. ADAMS

ALEXANDER McLEAN

GEORGE C. GERMER, *Trustees*

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE STEARNS COMMON SCHOOL BEQUEST

INCOME RECEIVED

Interest on Municipal Service Bond.....	\$2.50
Interest on U. S. Liberty Bonds.....	19.12
Interest on Virginia Public Service Bond.....	265.00
Interest on Republic Service Bond.....	125.00
Interest on Interstate Power Co. Bond.....	12.50
Interest on mortgage on land in Greenville....	14.25
	\$438.37

Paid Frank B. Farwell, treasurer..... \$438.37

The Bequest is invested as follows:

U. S. Liberty Bond.....	\$100.00
Public Service Corporation.....	5,000.00
Virginia Public Service Corporation.....	5,000.00
Oklahoma Natural Gas.....	100.00
Mason Village Savings Bank.....	775.50
Mortgage on land in Greenville.....	325.00
	\$11,300.50

Respectfully submitted,
ALBERT B. EATON
Treasurer

JOHN T. SMITH
GUY C. ARNOLD
ALBERT B. EATON
Trustees

REPORT OF TREASURER OF CEMETERY

TRUSTEES

INCOME RECEIVED

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1928.	\$.78	
Interest on Municipal Service Bonds	25.00	
Interest on Bond.	15.00	
Town appropriation.	100.00	
		\$140.78

PAYMENTS

Garden rake.	\$1.25	
James K. Oten, labor.	11.60	
Harley Higgins, labor.	9.20	
Frank B. Farwell, labor.	75.10	
John Beck, labor.	5.00	
Everett H. Whitaker, labor.	4.50	
John Kivimaki.	7.70	
Alice Creighton, wreaths.	2.00	
A. B. Eaton, fertilizer, grass seed, labor.	5.70	
Paint.	15.00	
A. B. Eaton, treasurer.	2.00	
		\$139.05
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1929.		\$1.73

Received of William B. Hill:

For care of Ebenezer Hill lot.	\$100.00	
For Municipal Service Bonds.	516.25	
		\$616.25

Paid:

1 Escabana Paper Co. Bond	\$500.00	
Deposited in Mason Village Savings Bank	116.25	
		\$616.25

PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

Dunster Fund	\$100.00	
Veron Eaton Fund	100.00	
William Adams Fund	100.00	
Rhoda Barrett Fund	200.00	
James Marsh Fund	50.00	
Ai Richards Fund	50.00	
Joseph A. Morse Fund	200.00	
Levi Mitchell Fund	100.00	
William Campbell Fund	200.00	
Amos Flagg Fund	100.00	
Ebenezer Hill Fund	100.00	
		\$1,300.00

Invested as follows:

1 Escabana Paper Co. Bond	\$500.00	
1 Interstate Power Co. Bond	500.00	
Mason Village Savings Bank	394.50	
		\$1,394.50

Respectfully submitted,
ALBERT B. EATON

Treasurer

ALBERT B. EATON
STANLEY A. FLAGG
FRANK B. FARWELL

Trustees

FINANCIAL REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF MASON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Cash on hand February 1, 1928.....	\$2.15
Received from:	
Town.....	\$100.00
Fines.....	.38
	\$102.53
Paid:	
Library Book House.....	\$39.32
Salary of Librarian.....	50.00
Janitor.....	5.00
Postage, etc.....	.26
Table.....	1.00
Amount on hand February 1, 1929.....	6.95
	\$102.53

Respectfully submitted,
HARRIET E. WHITAKER
MYRTIE B. ADAMS
ALICE S. BERRY, *Library Trustees*

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

Sixty-four books have been added to the library during the year. Of these, thirteen were given by Mrs. Alice Creighton, one by Mrs. Mary Drew, and a Bible by the Oxford University Press Company of New York.

A year's subscription to "Our Four-Footed Friends" was given by Mrs. Lillian Rathburn.

The Christian Science Sentinel is sent to the library by the Christian Science Publishing Company.

The Child Welfare Magazine is placed in the library by the Parent-Teacher Association.

The library subscribes for the American Magazine and for St. Nicholas. 1540 books were taken out the past year. 24 books have been discarded. Total number of books in library 1991.

DORIS M. FLAGG, *Librarian*

SCHOOL WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*To the Inhabitants of the School District in the town of Mason
qualified to vote in district affairs:*

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 12th day of March, 1929, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the school board in its annual report.
9. To see if the district will vote to authorize the School Board to employ a School Nurse and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Given under our hands at said Mason this 12th day of February, 1929.

HARRIET E. WHITAKER
ALBERT B. EATON

School Board

Report of School Board

Fiscal Year July 1, 1927 to June 30, 1928

SALARIES OF DISTRICT OFFICERS

School Board:

Albert B. Eaton.....	\$25.00
James E. Wilson.....	25.00
Harriet E. Whitaker.....	25.00
Rose S. Eaton, treasurer.....	25.00
John T. Smith, auditor.....	2.00
	\$102.00

SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY

Albert B. Eaton, Treasurer of Union District No. 63.....	\$132.35
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SCHOOL CENSUS

Albert B. Eaton, time on census.....	\$5.00
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EXPENSES OF ADMINISTRATION

Fred A. Cournoyer, Fidelity bond.....	\$9.00
R. E. Lane, census cards.....	1.15
Supt. V. S. Ames, telephone, postage, expense to Conference, etc.....	13.03
E. C. Eastman, block of treasurer's reports...	.83
A. B. Eaton, Treasurer of Union District No. 63, office expense.....	51.00

J. L. Hammett Company, Mason's share of office equipment.....	3.94
H. E. Whitaker, postage, telephone, etc.....	.86
J. E. Wilson, postage and telephone.....	.60
R. S. Eaton, envelopes.....	2.20

\$82.61

TEACHERS' SALARIES

Laura V. Leonard, salary for 34 2-5 weeks....	\$860.00
Lena Miller, salary for 1 3-5 weeks.....	40.00
Mildred B. Peters, salary for 36 weeks.....	950.00
Florence E. Howe, salary for 36 weeks.....	900.00
Blanche Bowden, salary for 36 weeks.....	190.00

\$2,940.00

TEXT BOOKS

D. C. Heath & Company.....	\$18.25
Chas. E. Merrill Company.....	25.27
Silver, Burdett & Company.....	5.25
American Book Company.....	2.99
Iroquois Publishing Company.....	7.16
World Book Company.....	1.30
E. E. Babb and Company.....	5.36
Rand McNally Co.....	4.92
John C. Winston Co.....	5.70
Laidlaw Bros.....	1.56

\$77.76

SCHOLARS' SUPPLIES

Harry Houston.....	\$1.59
Cho-Seco Ink Pellet Co.....	2.50
Wilbur D. Gilpatric.....	16.56
Milton Bradley Co.....	4.53
J. L. Hammett Co.....	30.06
E. E. Babb & Co.....	11.88
Houghton Mifflin & Co.....	6.66
Ryan & Buker.....	.98
Iroquois Publishing Company.....	4.88
Wheeler Publishing Company.....	1.37
V. S. Ames.....	.60
	\$81.61

FLAGS AND APPURTENANCES

H. A. Wales Company.....	\$8.50
Carswell Hawthorne.....	11.40
	\$19.90

OTHER EXPENSES OF INSTRUCTION

Blanche Bowden, special music.....	\$1.71
World News, 8 copies.....	8.00
Current Events, 22 copies and 2 guides.....	9.20
J. B. Taylor.....	1.45
John C. Winston Co.....	1.90
World Book Company, test material.....	8.66
Rand, McNally & Co.....	3.88
Public School Publishing Co.....	.62
V. S. Ames.....	1.29
	\$36.71

JANITOR SERVICE

J. W. Wharff, care of Center schoolhouse.....	\$90.44
Mrs. August Helstein, care of No. 6.....	36.00
	\$126.44

FUEL

A. B. Eaton, 2 cords slab wood.....	\$7.00
Alex Ojar, 4 cords wood.....	36.00
James E. Wilson, 2 cords pine wood at \$5 per cord, 2 cords hard wood at \$10 per cord..	30.00
Everett H. Whitaker, 7 cords wood.....	70.00
Guy Washburn, 3 cords wood.....	30.00
	\$173.00

WATER AND JANITOR SUPPLIES

Kaustine Company, Inc., 6 drums Kaustine...	\$18.00
Fuller Brush Company, dustpan brush.....	1.25
State Work Shop for the Blind, 6 brooms.....	4.50
Cheshire Chemical Co., 6 cases Nibroc Kraft towels.....	9.50
Milton Bradley Co., drinking cups.....	13.84
H. I. Dallman Co., floor brush.....	4.50
V. S. Ames, 6 gals. floor oil.....	3.60
Masury-Young Company.....	5.73
	\$60.92

MINOR REPAIRS AND EXPENSES

Mrs. C. P. Chesborough, 36 hours cleaning...	\$14.40
August Helstein, work at No. 6.....	5.00

F. B. Farwell, sanitary work and repairs.....	8.20
A. B. Eaton, sanitary work and repairs.....	27.56
C. A. Cloutier, repairing wagons.....	6.85
	\$62.01

MEDICAL INSPECTION

B. D. Pease, M. D., examination of pupils....	\$25.00
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TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS

A. B. Eaton, 35 2-5 weeks at \$15 per week....	\$531.00
John Kivimaki, 1 4-5 weeks at \$15 per week....	27.00
33 3-5 weeks at \$18 per week.....	604.80
Transporting No. 6 pupils on Memorial Day.....	2.00
Alfred Elliott, 9 4-5 weeks at \$12 per week....	122.50
1 2-5 weeks at \$18 per week.....	25.20
24 1-5 weeks at \$22 per week.....	532.40
Harry Spear, 9 weeks at \$7.50 per week.....	67.50
26 2-5 weeks at \$6.25 per week.....	165.00
	\$2,077.40

HIGH SCHOOL AND ACADEMY TUITION

New Ipswich Appleton Academy.....	\$153.50
Town of Townsend.....	375.00
Town of Ashby.....	225.00
	\$753.50

INSURANCE

James C. Taft.....	\$82.50
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NEW EQUIPMENT

Milton Bradley Co., 1 dozen scissors.....	\$1.38
J. L. Hammett, slate black-board, waste-basket, 2 hektographs.....	39.66
E. E. Babb, water-cooler, desks and chairs....	70.75
W. Nutting, 8% cost of victrola and records..	9.22
G. Drysdale, music supplies.....	5.25
A. B. Eaton, frame and wire for window.....	1.25
V. S. Ames, pencil sharpener cutters.....	.90
F. W. Clark, night latch and hooks.....	7.80
	\$136.21

PER CAPITA TAX

Henry E. Chamberlin, State Treasurer.....	\$116.00
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SUMMARY OF SCHOOL EXPENSES FOR YEAR
ENDING JUNE 30, 1928

Salaries of District Officers.....	\$102.00
Superintendent's Salary.....	132.35
School census.....	5.00
Expenses of administration.....	82.61
Teachers' salaries.....	2,940.00
Text Books.....	77.76
Scholars' supplies.....	81.61
Flags and appurtenances.....	19.90
Other expenses of instruction.....	36.71
Janitor service.....	126.44
Fuel.....	173.00
Water and janitor supplies.....	60.92
Minor repairs and expenses.....	62.01
Medical inspection.....	25.00

Transportation of pupils.....	2,077.40
High School and Academy tuition.....	753.50
Insurance.....	82.50
New equipment.....	136.21
Per capita tax.....	116.00

\$7,090.92

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES E. WILSON

HARRIET E. WHITAKER

ALBERT B. EATON

School Board of Mason

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books and other financial records of the school board of Mason of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1928, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JOHN T. SMITH

July 9, 1928

Auditor

Report of School District Treasurer

Cash on hand July 1, 1927	\$83.87
Received from Town Treasurer	3,722.07
Townsend National Bank, interest	9.99
School District of New Ipswich, tuition	31.50
School District of Greenville, tuition	157.50
State Treasurer, equalization	3,236.81

Total receipts

\$7,241.74

Less School Board's orders

7,090.92

Cash on hand June 30, 1928

\$150.82

ROSE S. EATON

Treasurer

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the School District of Mason, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1928, and find them correct in all respects.

JOHN T. SMITH

Auditor

SUMMARY OF SCHOOL EXPENSES

From July 1, 1928 to February 1, 1929

Salaries of District Officers.....	\$62.50
Superintendent's salary.....	136.36
Expenses of administration.....	20.47
Teachers' salaries.....	1,562.75
Text books.....	115.54
Scholars' supplies.....	90.43
Flags and appurtenances.....	.16
Other expenses of instruction.....	36.16
Janitor service.....	42.00
Fuel.....	20.00
Water and janitor supplies.....	46.00
Minor repairs and expenses.....	141.14
Medical inspection.....	25.00
Transportation.....	1,021.20
High School and Academy tuition.....	342.50
New equipment.....	16.64
Per capita tax.....	142.00
	\$3,820.85

Budget of School Board 1929-30

Estimated expenditures for the school year beginning July 1, 1929, and ending June 30, 1930, and recommendations of sums to be assessed for the support of schools, including statutory requirements:

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

Teachers' salaries, including music supervisor.....	\$3,000.00	
Text books.....	80.00	
Scholars' supplies.....	85.00	
Flags and appurtenances.....	10.00	
Other expenses of instruction.....	35.00	
Janitor service.....	126.00	
Fuel.....	175.00	
Janitors' supplies.....	60.00	
Minor repairs and expenses.....	75.00	
Medical inspection and health.....	50.00	
Transportation of pupils.....	2,000.00	
Total estimated cost of maintaining schools.....		\$5,696.00

ESTIMATED REVENUE

From sources other than taxation:		
State aid.....	\$3,191.34	
Dog tax.....	100.00	
Part of income from trust funds	594.00	
		\$3,885.34
Balance		\$1,810.66

A tax of .005 on the equalized valuation is necessary to qualify for State aid, which is.....		\$1,810.66
Additional sums recommended to be raised by taxation, including statutory requirements:		
For salaries of district officers.....	\$102.00	
For superintendent's excess salary	130.00	
For truant officer and census.....	10.00	
For expenses of administration....	75.00	
For new equipment.....	30.34	
For extraordinary repairs.....	200.00	
For per capita tax (statutory).....	138.00	
For high school tuitions (statutory)	710.00	
		\$1,395.34
Less balance of trust fund income..	\$406.00	
Less estimated balance June 30, 1929.....	400.00	
		\$806.00
Balance to be raised by taxation ..		\$589.34
Total sum recommended to be raised by taxation.....		\$2,400.00

HARRIET E. WHITAKER

ALBERT B. EATON

School Board

Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the School Board and Citizens of Mason:

I submit my sixth annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

The only change in the teaching staff since my report a year ago is that at the Centre School. Miss Mildred Peters declined re-election in order to accept a position in Ashland and we secured in her place Miss Helen Stone of Temple. Miss Stone had two years' teaching experience previous to completing her Normal School course at Keene in June 1927, and taught one year following her graduation. She is well qualified for the work she is doing. All the schools are doing exceptionally good work this year. The school enrollment is somewhat less than last year. The attendance until January was very satisfactory but sickness has lowered the record in the past month.

For two or three years the two state normal schools have trained a sufficient number of new teachers in the two-year courses to fill the vacancies occurring in the elementary grade and rural schools, and enough more in the three-year courses to supply the demands of junior high schools, with a surplus each year large enough to provide a healthy competition.

There is still an inadequate supply of new teachers trained for senior high school positions. About 150 such teachers were needed in the state this year. The University of New Hampshire supplied about 35 of these, and the normal schools for the first time graduated classes in the four-year courses, providing 17 high school teachers. The balance was drawn from other states and was made up of teachers with brief experience and of inexperienced college graduates, in nearly equal numbers.

SUPERVISION

As shown in the statistical report following, I have been able to use a larger proportion of time in school room visits that in some previous years, increasing the number of recorded visits from 56 to 73. A small part of this time and a considerable part of the time required for office work was occupied with the testing program, which included oral reading tests in the first three grades, silent reading tests in the middle grades, and the Stanford Achievement Tests in reading, arithmetic, language, spelling, science, and history. The Stanford Tests were given in October and May last year and in January, 1929.

The results of the three series of tests throughout the supervisory district were tabulated and compared with the published standards for a general comparison. Then pupils who stood particularly low were noted, and the teachers were advised as to which ones needed special attention and in what subjects. The series of three tests indicate a general advance and the January tests show all of the grades to be up to standard and some as much as 12% above standard. This is a general statement for the whole district and does not mean that every grade in every school is above standard.

Last October a standardized test in silent reading was given throughout the district in grades four to nine, and the results were handled in the same manner as indicated for the Stanford Achievement Tests above. The test was given in order to have a more accurate measure of the reading abilities of these grades than we had at the time I discussed the silent reading program in my last report. It was the first attempt at a comprehensive measuring of silent reading abilities so no comparison can be made that will show the amount of gain or loss. Results showed that all the grades tested were somewhat below standard. They provide a basis for determining what remedial work is required for the pupils or grades who were found to be especially low, and also for comparison when the test is repeated later in the year.

MEDICAL INSPECTION

The required medical inspection was made in October by Dr. Pease and shows the following results:

Number of pupils examined	54
Underweight	2
Defective Vision	2
Defective Teeth	41
Diseased Tonsils	3
Enlarged Glands	1
Unvaccinated	7

This inspection is made only once each year and no provision is made for follow-up work. It merely shows the condition that prevails at the time of inspection. Experience leads me to believe that comparatively little attention is given to the reports that are sent by the physician to the parents. In many towns a school nurse follows up the inspection and by visiting the parents is able to explain to them the need for remedial treatment, and in this way the recommendations of the physician are made more effective. Without such follow-up work the expenditure for medical inspection is largely wasted. An additional expenditure of probably not more than \$25 for the services of a nurse for a little time would be worth while. I would call particular attention to the fact that this additional expenditure would be borne by the state up to a maximum of \$1 per pupil, including medical inspection and follow-up work by the nurse, so that a \$50 expenditure would cost the town no more than the present \$25 expenditure.

FINANCES

The Budget for 1929-30 calls for substantially the same amounts as last year in the various items, with the exception of the following. Last year's estimate for transportation was \$2200, and the cost is only about \$2000 with no indication that it will be increased next year. The estimate for high

school tuition is about \$200 less than last year. This means that we shall close the year with a larger balance than usual, and we have thought it best to apply \$400 of this balance to reducing the appropriation for next year. The income from trust funds, amounting to about \$1000 a year, is split into two parts in the budget, one to reduce current expenses to the amount of the \$5 tax, and the other to reduce the additional items in the second group.

The \$200 allowed for extraordinary repairs is needed to shingle the west roof of the schoolhouse at the Centre and to repaint the interior of the Number Six schoolhouse.

With the continued loyalty and support that is manifest in the school organization at present we shall be able progressively to improve the schools, and this fact is doubtless as gratifying to all others as it is to me.

Respectfully submitted,

VERNON S. AMES

Superintendent

Wilton, New Hampshire,
February 7, 1929.

STATISTICS FOR SCHOOL YEAR ENDING

JUNE 30, 1928

Census:

No. Boys 5-16	40	Girls	31	Total	71
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Attending School in Mason:

Boys	42	Girls	30	Total	72
Elsewhere: Boys	3	Girls	9	Total	12

Enrollment by Grades:

<i>School:</i>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Primary	8	10	5	6					29
Grammar					5	5	6	4	20
Number Six	2	4	6	2	4	3	2	0	23

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Attendance:

SCHOOL	Average Member- ship	Average Attend- ance	Per cent of Attend- ance	Total	Tardiness Per Pupil
Primary	19.02	17.78	93.5	8	.27
Grammar	17.24	15.88	92.1	36	1.80
Number Six	19.86	18.89	95.1	6	.26
	56.12	52.55	93.4	50	.70
Average for State 1927-1928			94.89		1.04

Visits:

By School Board Members	4
By Superintendent	73
By Citizens	27

STATISTICS FOR FIRST 16 WEEKS OF 1928-1929

Census:

No. Boys 5-16	34	Girls	29	Total	63
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Attending School in Mason:

Boys	34	Girls	29	Total	63
Elsewhere: Boys	2	Girls	5	Total	7

Enrollment by Grades:

School	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Primary	7	5	8	4					24
Grammar					6	3	3	5	17
Number Six	1	2	4	3	4	3	3	2	22

Attendance:

SCHOOL	Average Member ship	Average Attend- ance	Per cent of Attend- ance	Total Tardi- nesses
Primary	21.88	21.19	96.85	3
Grammar	12.95	12.44	96.06	7
Number Six	20.79	20.12	96.77	2
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ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Three Terms

Conray Wharff

Two Terms

Toivo Kivimaki, Helen Wilson, Agnes Brown, Loren Brown

One Term

Ernest Oten	Pauline Redick
Arthur Oikelmus	Frances Eaton
Alfred Elliott	Robert Winter
Marion Elliot	Irving Spear
Edward Wharff	Alfred Spear
	Harriet Wharff

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

Registered in Town of Mason Year Ending

December 31, 1928

Date	Name of Child	Name of Father and Maiden Name of Mother
1928		
June 2.	Celia Elizabeth;	John K. Koinula; Lempi Wiik.

MARRIAGES

Registered in Town of Mason Year Ending

December 31, 1928

Date	Name of Parties and Name of Person Performing Ceremony
1928	
April 4.	William J. McCarthy and Marion Rhind, by Frank B. Farwell, Justice of Peace.
May 25.	Edward E. Smith and Dorothy C. Blake, by Leroy W. Stringfellow, Clergyman, in Man- chester, N. H.
July 4.	Clifford Montague and Winifred Collins, by James T. Berry, Clergyman.
Aug. 4.	Frank Arthur Roberts and Celia Esther Wiik, by James T. Berry, Clergyman.
Nov. 15.	Urka E. Mattson and Alice M. Helstein, by Frank B. Farwell, Justice of Peace.
Dec. 25.	Charles E. Tyler and Adelaide R. Emerson, by Frank B. Farwell, Justice of Peace.

DEATHS

Registered in Town of Mason Year Ending

December 31, 1928

1928

- Jan. 20. Alfred Lorenzo Elliott, 69 years, 9 months, 13 days.
Feb. 5. Anna M. Hosmer, 86 years, 10 months, 8 days.
Feb. 5. Louise A. Russell, 63 years, 11 months.
April 2. Sarah Hartwell, 77 years, 9 months, 30 days.
April 10. Lillia Hodgeman, 52 years.
July 28. Peter McIntyre, 80 years, 2 months, 5 days.
Dec. 9. Robert E. Brown, 2 years, 10 months, 8 days.

